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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Communications Requirements

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1. The Communications program of the Central Intelligence Agency can be separated into three primary categories: (1) Communications Support; (2) Signal Intelligence; and (3) Research and Development. SIGINT and R&D are exclusively for CIA

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2. The attached chart shows the increase in traffic, funds, and personnel for Communications Support by fiscal years from 1960 through 1965 (projected). Traffic increased from about 230 million word groups in 1960 to an estimated 790 million in 1964 (based on actual figures for the first four months) and a projected total for 1965 of 930 million, which is 3.3 times the 1960 volume. Expenditures in 1960 were

compared to a budget request of for Fiscal Year 1965 - 2.7 times the 1960 figures. Personnel requirements increased from

in 1965. Although comparative annual totals of word groups are an indication of Communications costs they are not a yardstick. For example, the change from one shift to 24-hour coverage at a small station triples the personnel and payroll but may add little or nothing to the traffic volume. By the same token the use of more modern

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principle in the desirability of establishing the National Communications System with the proviso that the NCS enhance, not degrade, Agency capability and not impair the security of our system. ⁽⁷⁴³⁰²⁾ It was recognized that Agency participation in the NCS would result in an increase in personnel and fund requirements. However with the exception of two one-man stations (in Africa) there are no facilities or personnel in place exclusively for others nor were any such facilities anticipated in our 1964 and 1965 budgets. All facilities are in place or were planned to meet the total requirements and the facilities would be eventually required for CIA alone with manpower requirements somewhat reduced if we did not serve others. To meet these Communications requirements

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